

ETHIOPIAN FACT SHEET

August 2026

80
years
1946 - 2026
A TIMELESS LEGACY





OVERVIEW

Ethiopian Airlines Group (ET) is the leading airline in Africa. Ethiopian Airlines has come along 80 years of excellence, resilience, and sustained growth in the aviation industry, starting its operation with five DC-3 aircraft back in 1946 and making its debut flight to Cairo via Asmara on April 8, 1946. Since then, the airline has evolved into Africa's leading aviation group and one of the world's fastest-growing airline brands.

Ethiopian took the lead in introducing cutting-edge aviation technology and systems including the first jet airplane as well as the first B767, B777-200LR, B787 Dreamliner, Boeing B787-9, the Airbus A350-900 XWB and the A350-1000. Currently, Ethiopian owns 149 ultra-modern and environmentally friendly aircraft.

As 'the New Spirit of Africa', Ethiopian has created the much-needed intra-Africa and transcontinental air connectivity network, linking Africa to the rest of the world. Ethiopian Airlines serves more than 145 international passenger and cargo destinations, including more than 60 African cities, with daily and multiple flights.

Building on its continuous success, Ethiopian has been expanding its services and reaching new horizons. In addition to its main hub, it is also pursuing a multi-hub strategy through hubs in Lomé Togo with ASKY, in Lilongwe Malawi with Malawi Airlines, in Lusaka Zambia with Zambia Airways, and in Kinshasa Democratic Republic of the Congo with Air Congo.

Ethiopian Airlines has won much-coveted multiple industry awards for several years in various categories from SKYTRAX World Airline Awards, Business Traveller Awards, and APEX Passenger Choice Awards to mention a few.



STAR ALLIANCE

Founded

December 21, 1945

Starting date of operation

April 08, 1946

Ownership

Government of Ethiopia (100%)

Head Office

Bole International Airport,
P.O. Box 1755
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Reservations

Tel : 6787 for local and
(+251) 116179900 for
International Customers

Website

<http://www.ethiopianairlines.com>

Group Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Mesfin Tasew

ETHIOPIAN IN FIGURES

Parameters	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025	2025/2026
Aircraft	120	122	131	132	141	147
Destination	127	127	134	138	142	146
Passenger Number	5.78 Billion	8.66 Billion	13.89 Billion	17.10 Billion	18.78 Billion	20.43 Billion
Cargo Tonnage	757,002	767,848	713,875	754,681	771,539	897,975
Revenue In USD	3.51 Billion	5.05 Billion	6.17 Billion	7.04 Billion	7.57 Billion	9.10 Billion
Full Time Employees	14,568	14,887	16,936	18,196	19,467	21,048
Graduate Trainees	450	492	1,387	1,745	1,951	1,713
ASK '000	35.31 Billion	42.83 Billion	64.50 Billion	78.40 Billion	84.43 Billion	92.28 Billion

FLEET SUMMARY | Current Fleet

Long Range Passenger Services	Medium Range Passenger Services	Regional and Domestic Passenger Services	Business Jet
 Airbus A350 - 1000XWB 04 ✈	 Boeing B737-800 06 ✈	 Q400 Bombardier 28 ✈	 Boeing B737-800 01 ✈
 Airbus A350 - 900XWB 22 ✈	 Boeing B737 MAX 25 ✈	 DHC-6-300G 01 ✈	 149 TOTAL OPERATING FLEET
 Boeing B787-8 20 ✈	 Boeing B737-700NG 02 ✈		
 Boeing B787-9 10 ✈	Medium Range Cargo	Long Range Cargo	
 Boeing B777-300ER 05 ✈	 Boeing B737-800F 04 ✈	 Boeing B777-200LRF 12 ✈	
 Boeing B777-200LR 06 ✈	 B767-300F 03 ✈		

FLEET SUMMARY | Aircraft Delivery Plan

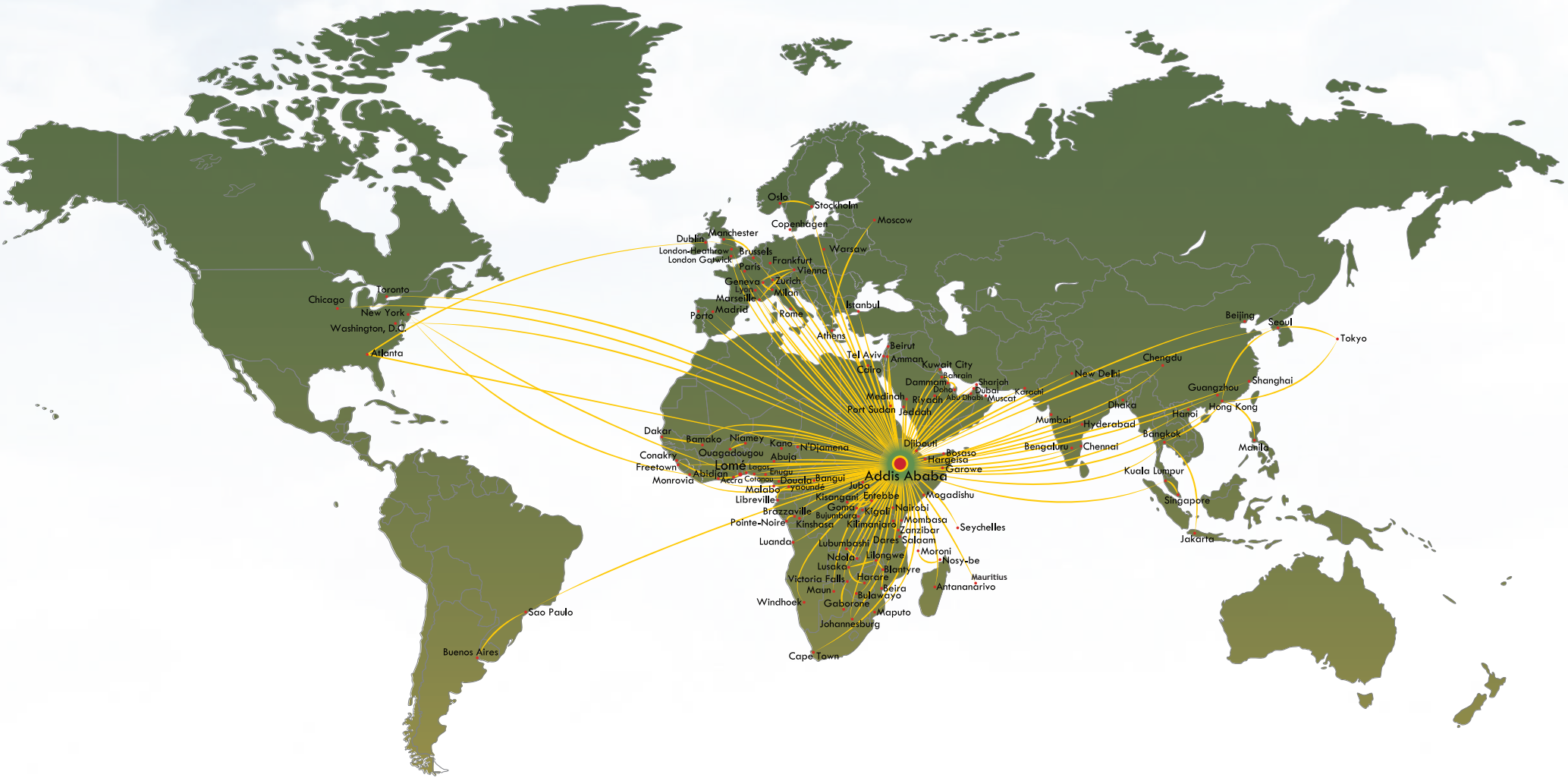
Long Range Passenger Services	Medium Range Passenger Services	Long Range Freighters
 Airbus A350-900XWB17✈	 Boeing B737 MAX 8s42✈	 Boeing B777-300ERSF02✈
 Boeing B787-926✈		Regional and Domestic Passenger Service  DHC-6-300G01✈
 Boeing B777-9X08✈	 Boeing B737-80004✈	
 Boeing B777-200LRF02✈		



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TOTAL FLEET ON ORDER

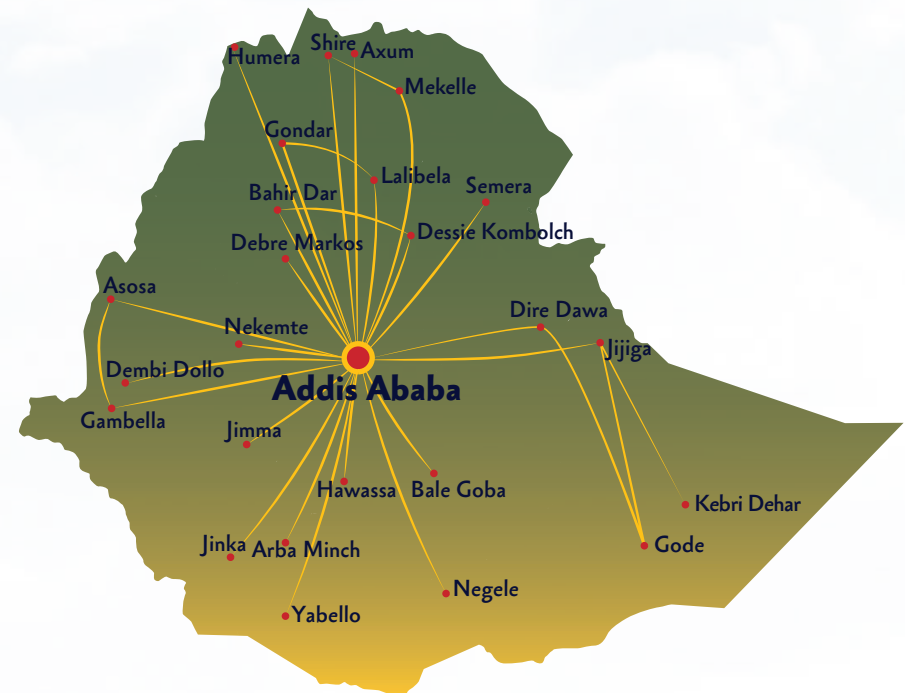
MORE THAN 145 INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS



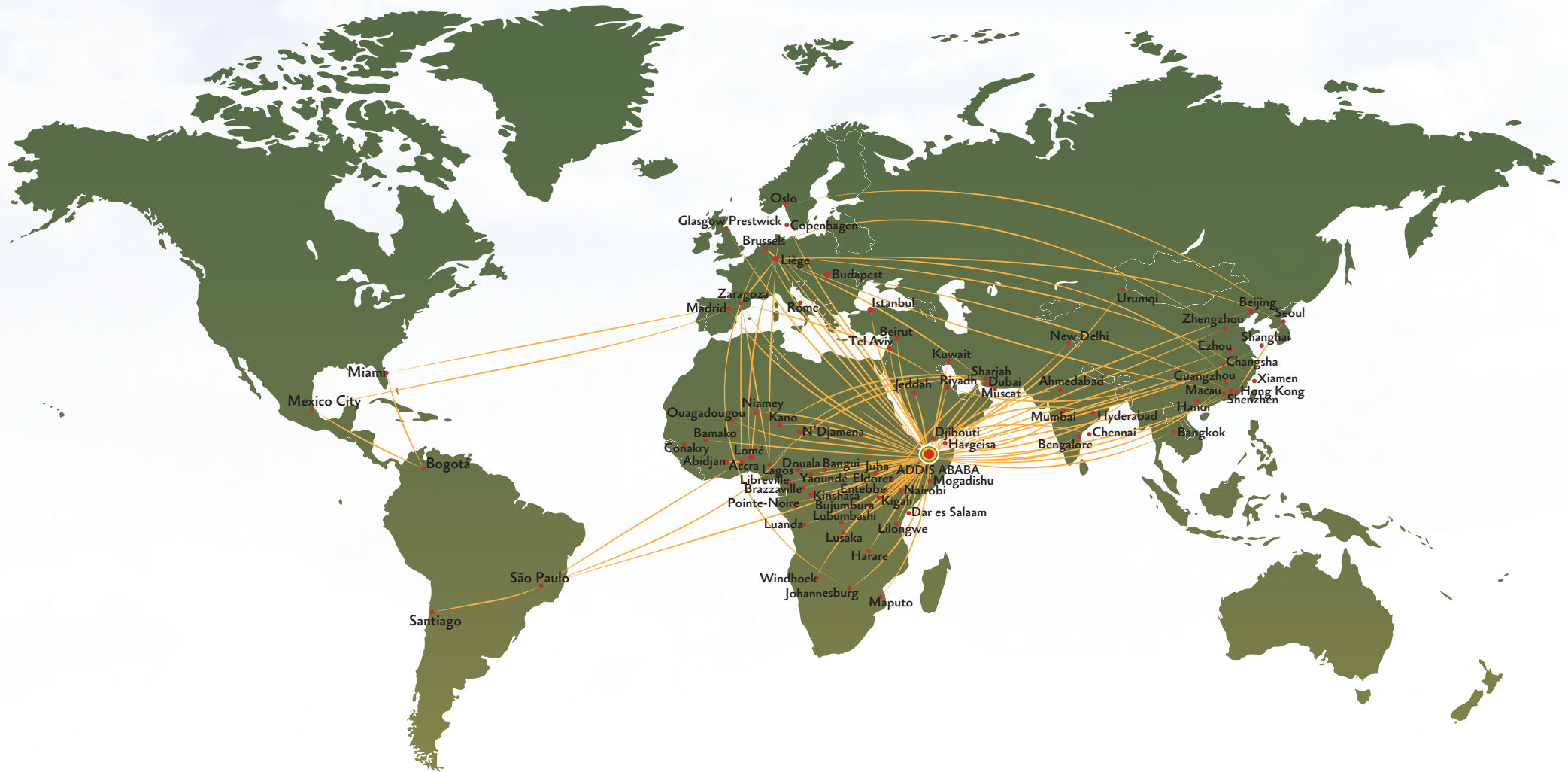
MORE THAN 60 DESTINATIONS IN AFRICA



25 DOMESTIC DESTINATIONS



SERVING OVER 70 CARGO DESTINATIONS



PARTNER AIRLINES



ASKY Airline is a strategic partner of Ethiopian Airlines, based in Lomé, Togo. Established in 2009, the airline commenced operations in 2010. Currently, ASKY serves destinations across West and Central Africa and beyond, providing seamless connections and quality service throughout the region.



Malawi Airlines Malawi Airlines is a strategic partner of Ethiopian Airlines, based in Lilongwe, Malawi. Established in 2013, the airline commenced operations in 2014. The airline offers world-class air transport services, serving destinations across Southern and Eastern Africa and beyond.



Zambia Airways Zambia Airways is a strategic partner of Ethiopian Airlines. Established in 2018, Zambia Airways commenced operations in December 2021. The airline operates flights to destinations within Zambia and across Central and Southern Africa and beyond.

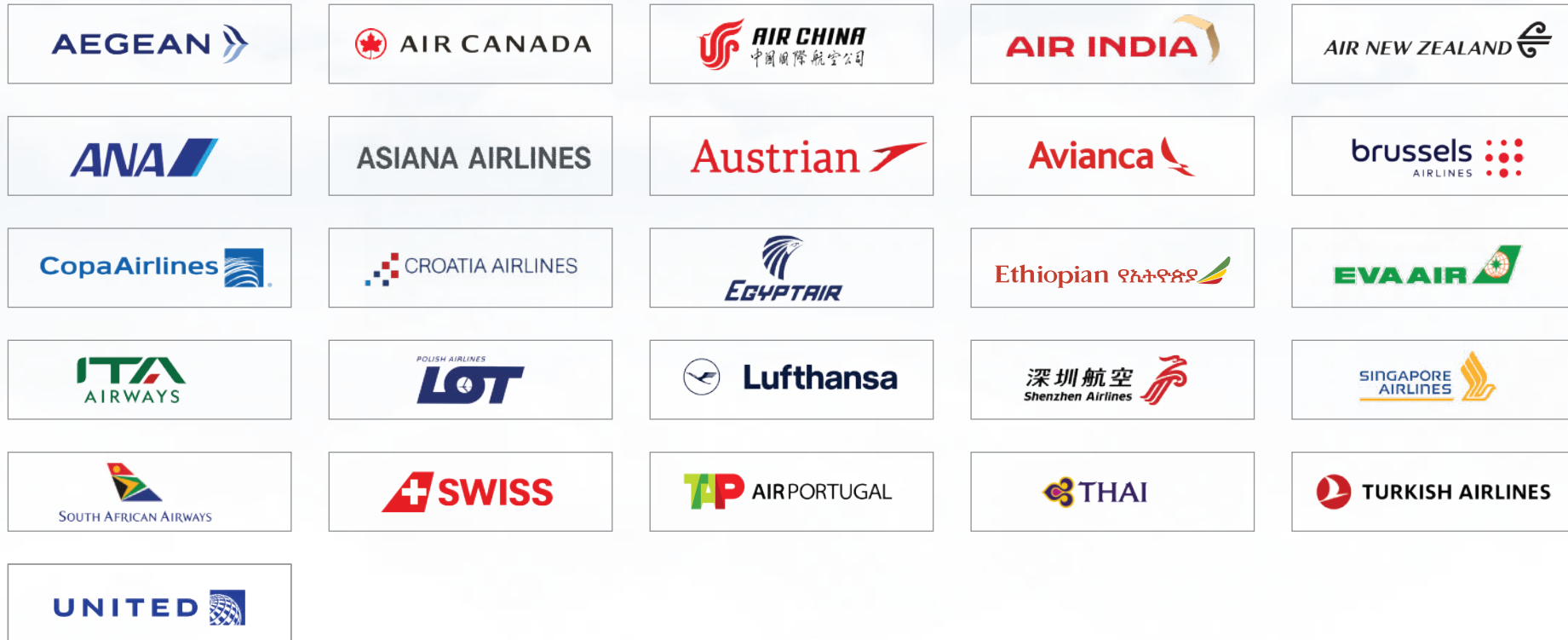


Air Congo Air Congo is a strategic partner of Ethiopian Airlines. The airline commenced operation in December 2024, operating services through its hub in Kinshasa, DRC. Air Congo further strengthens the domestic and regional connectivity across Western and Central Africa and beyond.

STAR ALLIANCE MEMEBER CARRIERS

Star Alliance unites 26 of the world's leading airlines, providing travellers seamless access to over 1,150 airports across 190 countries - covering 90% of the world.

As the flag carrier of Ethiopia and a proud member of Star Alliance, Ethiopian Airlines has grown into one of Africa's leading airlines. Renowned for its operational excellence, efficiency, and consistent profitability, the airline continues to set the benchmark for aviation success across the continent.



CODE SHARE PARTNERS

- Accessrail
- Aegean Airlines S.A.
- Air Canada
- Azul Linhas Aereas
- Air India Ltd
- Alitalia Societa Aer
- Air Botswana
- Air China Limited
- Etihad Airways
- Gol Linhas Aereas
- Gulf Air B.S.C (C)
- Air Cote D'ivoire
- Asky
- Kuwait Airways
- Accessrail
- Aegean Airlines S.A.
- Air Canada
- Azul Linhas Aereas
- Air India Ltd
- Alitalia Societa Aer
- Air Botswana
- Air China Limited
- Etihad Airways
- Gol Linhas Aereas
- Gulf Air B.S.C (C)
- Air Cote D'ivoire
- Asky
- Kuwait Airways
- Deutsche Lufthansa A
- El Al Israel Airline
- Malaysia Airlines Be
- Egyptair
- All Nippon Airways C
- Austrian Airlines Ag
- Asiana Airlines Inc.
- Pakistan International Airlines
- Ukraine Intl Airl
- South African Airways
- Air Europa Lineas Ae
- Scandinavian Airlines
- Singapore Airlines L
- Saudia Airlines
- Thai Airways
- Turkish Airlines Inc
- Tap Air Portugal
- United Airlines, Inc
- Srilankan Airlines
- Rwandair Limited
- Oman Air (S.A.O.C)
- Flynas
- Shenzhen Airlines
- Zambia Airways

ETHIOPIAN HUBS

- Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) - Ethiopian Main Hub
- Ethiopian Second Hub - Lome (Togo)
- Ethiopian Third Hub - Lilongwe (Malawi)
- Ethiopian Fourth Hub - Lusaka (Zambia)
- Ethiopian Fifth Hub - Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo



HUMAN CAPITAL
Number of employees:
>20,000

ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES' TWO SERVICE CLASSES



CLOUD NINE

Combining First and Business Class services, Cloud Nine offers superior travel experience. The 2-2-2 and 1-2-1 configuration gives you the perfect space to enjoy the rich In-Flight Entertainment options and our renowned African flavoured Ethiopian hospitality in comfort, ensuring a relaxing experience from take-off to landing.



ECONOMY CLASS

Designed with your comfort and convenience in mind, our Economy Class features spacious seating and a diverse range of entertainment to keep you relaxed throughout your journey. Enjoy blockbuster Hollywood movies, television programs, and destination guides directly from your seatback screen. *Available on selected routes depending on aircraft type.*

FREQUENT FLYER PROGRAM



ShebaMiles is the Loyalty Program of Ethiopian Airlines with greater privileges such as bonus miles, extra baggage, priority check-in, boarding and baggage handling, lounge access and much more.

ShebaMiles membership journey goes through four levels:



ShebaMiles Blue

It is yours with 3,000 Status Miles or 2 Qualifying Segments.



ShebaMiles Silver

It is yours with 25,000 Status Miles or 25 Qualifying Segments.



ShebaMiles Gold

It is yours with 50,000 Status Miles or 50 Qualifying Segments.



ShebaMiles Platinum

It is yours with 100,000 Status Miles or 80 Qualifying Segments.

ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES GROUP BUSINESS UNIT



For more information visit:
<https://eau.edu.et/>

ETHIOPIAN AVIATION UNIVERSITY (EAU)

Offering diverse aviation programs and dedicated student services, EAU prepares students for successful aviation careers. The university offers comprehensive programmes designed to develop highly skilled aviation professionals and strengthen expertise across the aviation industry.



For more information visit:
<https://corporate.ethiopianairlines.com/mro>

ETHIOPIAN MAINTENANCE REPAIR AND OVERHAUL (MRO)

Ethiopian MRO: A world class MRO services provider operating in a facility certified by competent regulatory bodies such as ETCAA, FAA, EASA and other Middle east and African Civil Aviation Authorities. Ethiopian MRO provides comprehensive aircraft maintenance, repair, overhaul, component, and engineering services to Ethiopian Airlines and other carriers.



For more information visit:
<https://cargo.ethiopianairlines.com/>

ETHIOPIAN CARGO & LOGISTICS SERVICES

The largest cargo network operator in Africa, offering a dedicated cargo transportation service for general and special cargo including pharmaceuticals & healthcare, perishables, live animals, and valuables among others. Additionally Ethiopian Cargo offers advanced logistics solutions such as trans-shipment, multi-modal, and offline routes.



For more information visit:
<https://corporate.ethiopianairlines.com/catering>

ETHIOPIAN CATERING

Offers inflight catering services and on-board duty-free items for both scheduled and non-scheduled Ethiopian and customer airlines, VVIP and charter flights. Alongside Ethiopian national dishes, the unit prepares a selection of world cuisines including Chinese, Indian, Ottoman, Italian, and Halal.



For more information visit:
<https://www.ethiopiaskylighthotel.com/>

ETHIOPIAN SKYLIGHT HOTEL

A 5-star luxury hotel with a striking contemporary property, elegant design, and outstanding facilities inside Addis Ababa Bole International Airport Skylight In-Terminal Hotel and a second facility just 5 minutes' walk away from the Addis Ababa Bole International Airport. The hotel is a convenient and aspirational accommodation option for business and leisure travellers, and people visiting this vibrant city.



For more information visit:
<https://corporate.ethiopianairlines.com/ground-service>

ETHIOPIAN GROUND SERVICE

provides a comprehensive range of ground handling services to international and regional passenger services as well as cargo services for Ethiopian Airlines and other scheduled and ad-hoc customer airlines. It covers all aspects of ground services necessary to handle the arrival and departure processes of airlines in Addis Ababa and domestic airports.

RECENT INDUSTRY AWARDS



Ethiopian Airlines Receives APEX Best Airline in Africa Award

Ethiopian Airlines Honored as the 2026 Four Star Global Airline by APEX



Ethiopian Shines at AFRAA 57th Annual General Assembly with Multiple Prestigious Awards



Ethiopian Airlines Shines at SKYTRAX 2025, Winning Four Awards including Best Airline in Africa for the 8th Consecutive Year



Ethiopian Airlines Group CEO Honored with Prestigious "Leadership in Connecting Africa through Transport Award"



Ethiopian Airlines Wins Three Prestigious Titles at the 2026 PAX Readership Awards



Ethiopian Airlines received 'Connectivity Award' from Air Transport News at the 2026 Aviation & Tourism Award



4 Star Airline



Best Airline in Africa for 8 years in a row



Best Business and Economy Class Airline in Africa for 7 years in a row



Best Business Class Onboard Catering in Africa

RECENT INDUSTRY AWARDS



Ethiopian Cargo & Logistics Services Crowned 'Best Cargo Airline– Africa' at the Arabian Cargo Awards



Ethiopian Airlines Group Receives the Prestigious Ethiopian Quality Award



Ethiopian Airlines Received IATA CEIV Pharma Recertification 2025



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